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TITLE OF INVENTION: HYDRODYNAMIC BEARING RUNNER FOR USE IN TILTING PAD THRUST BEARING ASSEMBLIES FOR ELECTRIC

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